INVOICE CHARGE within the ASP File Format

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Communication Ref 1581 - LH - DA

UK Link Revised Change Summary Pack for Clarification on

the treatment of RECONCILIATION INVOICE CHARGE within

the ASP File Format

Date 23/05/2016

Dear colleague.

Title

An extraordinary UKLC was convened on 20<sup>th</sup> May to discuss the change that was proposed to the K88 and K89 records within the .ASP file format (issued within communication **1575.1 – LH – DA - Clarification on the treatment of RECONCILIATION INVOICE CHARGE within the ASP File Format)**.

Following close out of the representation period five responses were received. 4 responses indicated rejection of the change, while one had supported it. At the above meeting, Xoserve indicated that they wished to have the opportunity to consider representations, and where necessary issue an amended Change Summary.

Please see attached a presentation that clarifies the way that Users would expect to receive Reconciliation Invoice Charge Information as set out in the above Change Summary (Option 1) contrasted against how we understand Users have indicated that they might expect to receive these (Option 2).

Please see attached the representation comments for this change.

It was agreed that the UK Link Committee would vote on the above. In doing so, Users are asked to note that the way that Option 2 has been interpreted was not as anticipated, therefore a clarification would be proposed to the formats by the following changes:

• The K88 and K89 records will have a sentence to the effect of "Solely LSP variances are included within these records, please refer to the .AML for the SSP variances applicable within this reconciliation period"

This will be a description change and will be issued subsequently if required.

If this option is selected this represents a functional change and the change will not be released prior to the next reconciliation invoice within Market Trials on 26th May; this will still reflect the SSP variances (if any rec period for a threshold crosser spans the 1st February, dummy 'Go live' date there will be values for the SSP variances. Periods prior to this will show zero values as rec will be processed under RbD methodology).

The original Change Summary is attached for information. This remains the preferred approach for Xoserve.

This communication will be discussed within UKLC on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May. If you have any questions related to this communication, please contact me via <a href="mailto:uklink@xoserve.com">uklink@xoserve.com</a>.

Kind regards Dave

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Communication Ref 1575 - LH - SN

Title UK Link Change Pack 13th May 2016

Date 13/05/2015

Dear colleague,

Please find attached the Change Pack for consideration by UK Link System Users. Changes detailed here will be discussed and approval sought, at an extraordinary UK Link Committee meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> May.

Communication Ref : 1575.1 – LH - DA

**Subject**: Clarification on the treatment of RECONCILIATION

INVOICE CHARGE within the ASP File Format

**Date** : 13/05/2016

At UKLC on the 12<sup>th</sup> May it was agreed for a reduced representation period. Please submit comments to <a href="wklink@xoserve.com">wklink@xoserve.com</a> by 5:00pm on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016. We will be seeking approval at UKLC on 20<sup>th</sup> May at 9:30am hosted by Joint Office.

If you have any questions related to this communication, please contact me via <a href="mailto:uklink@xoserve.com">uklink@xoserve.com</a>

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Title	Clarification on the treatment of RECONCILIATION INVOICE CHARGE within the ASP File Format
Date	13/05/2016

#### Dear colleague.

During UK Link Committee (UKLC) on 12<sup>th</sup> May the treatment of the RECONCILIATION\_INVOICE\_CHARGE records in the .ASP File Format was discussed. The K88 is used to show the reconciliation charges for Class 4 LSP sites and the K89 for Class 3.

Following Project Nexus Implementation Date, Small Supply Point (SSP) sites are subject to individual meter point reconciliation. Details of such reconciliation are included within the .ASP File Format in the K90 Record (RECONCILIATION\_INV\_AGGREGATE\_DETAIL\_CLASS\_3\_4\_SSP) which provides this information at an aggregate level.

In the circumstances where a Supply Meter Point AQ has changed between the start and end of a reconciliation period (i.e. threshold crossers) this will result in both SSP and Large Supply Point (LSP) variances being generated within this reconciliation period.

We are proposing that where charges for a reconciliation period are displayed within the .ASP File Format for Class 3 and Class 4 sites where one or more variances relate to a period when the Supply Meter Point was SSP, the entire reconciliation period will be shown in the detailed record of K88 and K89 respectively i.e. the K88 and K89 will also include SSP variance periods in such circumstances.

The SSP values for these reconciliations will not be included within the Aggregate Record K90.

Within Market Trials a defect was raised as a User identified that variances relating to SSP sites were included within the K88 record.

For supporting information currently issued in Market Trials, these reconciliation periods show zero values for the SSP variances with no charges as they are reconciled under RbD (Reconciliation by Difference) rules. From the 'Go Live' date in testing and in production SSP variances will be populated with financial values for the variances post 'Go Live'.

In these circumstances Users will have clear visibility of the energy and charges for these sites for the reconciliation period. Failure to show the SSP variants will split reconciliation periods between files and impact the Users ability to validate invoices.

Whilst explicitly this will not affect the UK Link File Formats the record names currently used are RT\_K88\_RECONCILIATION\_INVOICE\_ CHARGE\_CLASS\_4\_LSP and RT\_K89\_RECONCILIATION\_INVOICE\_CHARGE\_CLASS\_1\_2\_AND\_CLASS\_3\_LSP. Users should note that variances will include SSP if applicable.

It is proposed at a later date to change the title of the K90 record from RT\_K90\_RECONCILIATION\_INV\_AGGREGATE\_DETAIL\_CLASS\_3\_4\_SSP to RT\_K90\_RECONCILIATION\_INV\_AGGREGATE\_DETAIL\_CLASS\_3\_4\_EXCLUSIVELY\_SSP to distinguish these records and also remove references to LSP in the K88 and K89 records.

As the next amendment invoice will be issued within Market Trials on 26<sup>th</sup> May Users expressed a desire to have this proposal agreed before this date. During UKLC the committee agreed for a reduced representation period. Please submit comments to <a href="mailto:uklink@xoserve.com">uklink@xoserve.com</a> by 5:00pm on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016. We will be seeking approval at UKLC on 20<sup>th</sup> May at 9:30am hosted by Joint Office.

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Shipper	Name	Date	In Support / Not In Support	Publish	Shipper Comments	Xoserve Comments
British Gas	Oorlagh Chapman	18/05/2016	Support	Y	Please may we clarify, is it certain that a Supplier receives k88 or k89 for meter point level detail even if the site was never an LSP and always an SSP?  In the attached word document it states: 'Whilst explicitly this will not affect the UK Link File Formats the record names currently used are RT_K88_RECONCILIATION_INVOIC E_CHARGE_CLASS_4_LSP and RT_K89_RECONCILIATION_INVOIC E_CHARGE_CLASS_1_2_AND_CLASS_3_LSP. Users should note that variances will include SSP if applicable. '  Please clarify why it says if applicable – Would it not always be applicable for the variance to be included?  British Gas concluded that they accept this change	If the site was solely SSP for the whole reconciliation period the values will be added into the aggregated values (under K90) and would be viewed via the second level supporting information at individual MPRN level and no information would be presented within the K88 or K89 record.  This communication is referring to process required to accommodate threshold crossers within a reconciliation period.  Between two reads if there are one or more variances where the site AQ puts it in to the SSP market the reconciliation period and all associated variances will be provided in the individual reconciliation records under K88 or K89, along with the LSP variances covering the whole reconciliation period.  This SSP element would not be added into the aggregated values under K90 if presented as part of a threshold crosser reconciliation period

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Scottish and Southern Mark Jones 18/05/2016 No.	SSE is strongly opposed to this change. We have built our systems to validate and reconcile our invoices for SSP and LSP reconciliations for all supply points when they are in the relevant category, and we would expect all records within the .ASP file formats to be correct for SSPs and LSPs at all times, including where there has been a change from one category to another during a reconciliation period.  We see this change as a defect which has been identified in market trials and one which Xoserve should correct in order to ensure that shippers get the correct reconciliation invoice information at all times based on the correct categorisation of SSPs and LSPs. Putting this change in would result in spurious variances being reported from our invoice validation routines.	Please note that as per your comments, upon rejection of this change you will see reconciliation periods without the fully corresponding variances.  As of 'Go Live' SSP sites have financial values and threshold crossers will occur throughout the year due to rolling AQ.  To clarify you are requesting:
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	Amie Charalambou	19/05/2016	Not in support	Y	• It is not in line with the record names in the ASP file format which we've based our solution on. • If we include the SSP elements in the K88 we will not be able to report reconciliation volumes between SSP and LSP correctly.  Our recommendation is that Xoserve provide the charges as SSP while the MPRN is SSP and LSP for the period where the MPRN is LSP. The ASP would have the LSP elements in the K88/K89 and the SSP elements aggregated in the K90 in line with the current file format. The detailed SSP breakdown would then be available in the AML in line with the current format.	Thank you for your feedback.  Please note that as per your comments, upon rejection of this change you will see reconciliation periods without the fully corresponding variances.  As of 'Go Live' SSP sites have financial values and threshold crossers will occur throughout the year due to rolling AQ.  To clarify you are requesting:  Per MPRN reconciliation, that has a threshold crossing which includes a portion of SSP, the monthly variances and linked charges for the SSP are sent out within the AML (with financial values included within the aggregated charges on the ASP file) and for the variance and charges for LSP, the values will be at line item level within the ASP file.  As a result of this on each file we will include the rec period with start and end date along with start and end reads, which will not be
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Bobbie Gallagher	Scottish Power	19/05/2019	Not in Support	Y	The proposal seems to suggest that where a Class 4 MPRN changes from SSP to LSP (or vice versa), then the entire reconciliation period will be reported on the ASP file and that the SSP portion will be excluded from the Class 3 & 4 SSP aggregation record.  Currently we believe (and through the development of GINA) that charges should be generated as SSP up to the point where the Market Category changes to LSP, therefore the SSP period will be on the AML file and the subsequent LSP charges on the ASP file. This change could generate potential misalignment between the reported Market Category on the invoice data and the underlying registration data therefore we believe this change should be rejected and Xoserve provide the charges on the appropriate file for the appropriate variance periods.	Thank you for your feedback.  Please note that as per your comments, upon rejection of this change you will see reconciliation periods without the fully corresponding variances.  As of 'Go Live' SSP sites have financial values and threshold crossers will occur throughout the year due to rolling AQ.  To clarify you are requesting:  Per MPRN reconciliation, that has a threshold crossing which includes a portion of SSP, the monthly variances and linked charges for the SSP are sent out within the AML (with financial values included within the aggregated charges on the ASP file) and for the variance and charges for LSP, the values will be at line item level within the ASP file.  As a result of this on each file we will include the rec period with start and end date along with start and end reads, which will not be in line with the corresponding
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